

MAKE FIGHT FOR RATES

Demand Will Be Made on the Railroads for Lower Freight Rates on Coal.

WILL FIGHT THE RAILROADS

Declared That Their Tactics Are in Direct Opposition to the Sherman Law.

New York, June 15.—As a result of the recent investigation by the interstate commerce commission there is reason to believe, says the Herald, that a demand will be made for a reduction of freight rates on anthracite coal.

Should this course be adopted, it is not believed that any recommendation will be made by the commission to the federal government for action against the coal roads on the ground that they had combined to restrain trade and came within the Sherman anti-trust law.

The commerce commission in making a demand for the reduction of existing rates would act within its powers, but the railroads, if they choose, can refuse to make the reduction and carry the case into the courts.

A reduction of rates would be of great benefit to the individual operators in the Pennsylvania anthracite field. It has been their contention for years that they were unable to mine coal at a profit on account of the high freight. The majority of the individual operators who are still in the field now sell their coal at the mines to the greater companies, receiving a proportion of the selling price of the coal at tidewater.

WILL CUT THE WIRES.

Officials Will Not Allow Race Results to Be Phoned.

Chicago, June 15.—Telephone transmission of racing news from Washington park on derby day will be prohibited by the city authorities. This possible method of circumventing the police was discussed by Assistant Corporation Counsel Sexton, who has been constituted the legal adviser of the police department in its war against bookmakers at Washington park.

"As soon as we find that racing news is being telephoned from Washington park we will cut the wires," said Mr. Sexton.

"The city is in this fight to stay, and we will stop every attempt to bet on the races."

The Washington park officials, while keeping their plans secret, will prepare for a fight. It was said by a well known bookmaker that plans are on foot to get out an injunction against the city to prevent the police from stopping the bookmaking at the derby.

BOUGHT A BABY.

Hawaiian Merchant Wanted an American Child.

Brooklyn, June 15.—Daniel Bidwell, a wealthy Hawaiian sugar merchant, left for his far away Pacific home today, taking with him a 2-year-old girl infant, for which he had paid \$100. Bidwell and his wife are Americans by birth and they came to the conclusion that they could not get along without an American baby. So the husband was sent on his 5000-mile trip in search of one. Immediately on his arrival here, two days ago, Mr. Bidwell inserted an advertisement in a morning paper offered \$100 for an infant. Scores of mothers with little ones to dispose of crowded to his hotel and within 24 hours he had made his selection and was ready to start back. The only thing he regrets is that he signed his name to the advertisement.

Parker Will Go.

New York, June 15.—It is reported in political circles here, says the Times, that a suite of rooms have been engaged at a leading St. Louis hotel for Chief Judge Alton B. Parker during the democratic national convention. The report that he will go to St. Louis is not confirmed, however, and his friends discredit the story.

BECOMES A MANAGER.

Athletic Director Will Take Charge of Ball Team.

Chicago, June 15.—The Tribune today says: Recent reports that George Huff, graduate athletic manager of the University of Illinois, would become an American league manager, have been confirmed from a source of undoubted reliability. It was learned that all arrangements have been completed for the Illinois director to take charge of

the Detroit club, succeeding Manager Barrows on Saturday next. He will take Parker and Zangerle of the University of Illinois with him to Detroit and will endeavor in other ways to strengthen the team.

Doing Detective Work.

New York, June 15.—Women employed by the police department are now doing detective work in the tenderloin. Exactly what sort of police duty they have been doing is unknown except to the captain of the precinct and his superiors. Thus far their movements have been kept carefully screened and they do not report at the station. Employment of women in regular detective work about the precincts has not been before tried in this city.

Will Erect Monument.

New York, June 15.—A movement has been started in Weehawken for a patriotic demonstration July 9, in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the death of Alexander Hamilton, who was killed in a duel by Aaron Burr. A small marble slab now marks the spot where Hamilton fell. The promoters of the demonstration intend to inaugurate a movement to replace the slab with a suitable monument.

BUTTE HAS THE CRAZE.

Auto Fever Captures People of the Mountain City.

Butte, Mont., June 15.—A carload of automobiles has been added to the streets of Butte and another carload is now on the road here. In all there are about 25 of the machines now in Butte, as compared with a year ago, when an automobile was such a curiosity that it attracted universal attention.

The plan for an automobile line to the Nine Mile house has been about abandoned for the summer, as it is said that it would take several months to get machines here large enough for the purpose.

Welcome in New Mexico

Deported Miners Way Be Sent There and Remain as Long as They Obey the Law.

Santa Fe, N. M., June 15.—Governor Otero, in answer to an eastern newspaper for his views on the proposed deportation of citizens of Colorado to New Mexico, and what measures the territorial government would take to prevent it, sent the following message:

"My view is that no difference should be shown between capital and labor in their respective positions so far as the law is concerned. New Mexico has no objections to any citizens who respect our laws and we are well able to uphold them under any and all conditions. If the deported citizens from Colorado conduct themselves in a law-abiding manner, they will be welcome, if not they are coming to a poor place as the laws of this territory will be upheld without regard to consequences so long as I am governor. We will not, however, tolerate dictation from any source and those wishing to work, will receive full protection under our laws."

LEFT GIRL TO BURN.

Fatal Blaze in Brooklyn's Negro Quarter Last Night.

New York, June 15.—Fire which destroyed the two-story frame dwellings extending from 247 to 253 Navy street, Brooklyn, started just about midnight last night. They were all rear buildings and all occupied by negroes, yet Edith Warren, 8 years old, reported by the police as white, was found burned to death in the home of Mrs. Susan Johnson, at 249, in which building the fire started.

The negroes had barely time to get out before their homes were ablaze, and Mary Dennison fractured several ribs while leaping from an upper window. It is not known how the fire started, but the buildings were flimsy, and the total loss is but \$3000.

The child who was burned lived with Mrs. Johnson and was left in bed asleep when the other occupants fled. It was not explained how a white child came to be living with the negroes, but a theory advanced was that the little girl was an octroon.

Harbor Is Open.

Tokio, June 15.—The entrance to the harbor at Port Arthur having been cleared of obstructions, is now open for the passage of ships in and out. Yesterday the Russian protected cruiser Novik steamed out to sea and engaged with vessels of the Japanese blockading fleet.

SAYS THE JAPS WERE BEATEN

Letter From Port Arthur Merchant States Russians Forced Back the Brownies.

RUSSIANS ARE MORE STRICT

Will Not Let Natives Pass Through the Lines Toward the Southward Without Passport.

Niuchwang, June 14.—(10 p. m.)—

Delayed in transmission.—There are persistent rumors here of severe fighting south of Kaichow, which it is impossible to confirm. Of three trustworthy messengers sent out on the night of June 13, two returned, having been unable to pass the Russian lines at Kaichow and the other is expected to arrive early tomorrow. The two men, who have returned, learned nothing except that the Russians are becoming more strict about allowing natives to pass through their lines.

Twenty hospital carts passed here this morning traveling southward.

Trains are only running six miles south of Kaichow. A report upon the very highest authority direct from Mukden says there are over 20,000 Russian troops there with 40,000 additional men encamped at Liao Yang.

It is believed here that the Russians are moving a force of 65,000 men south only to make it appear as though they were attempting to relieve Port Arthur and that upon the first encounter with the enemy it will be withdrawn north again. A private telegram received here by a German resident late this afternoon from Chefoo said that the Japanese had suffered a severe defeat at Port Arthur and the Russians in town are celebrating the news tonight.

The Russian troops are now constructing a deep moat surrounding Liao Yang upon all sides, three miles from the town, and are mounting artillery upon the adjacent hills.

Ships arriving from Shanghai and Chefoo report passing a Japanese cruiser five miles out from Kaichow.

Fleets in Battle.

Tokio, June 15.—Private advices have been received here from Katsumoto, a town at the north end of Iki Island, in Krumenstern strait, to the effect that an engagement was in progress between Japanese and Russian war ships.

Heard Firing.

Nagasaki, June 15.—(4 p. m.)—A Russian naval squadron was lately sighted off Tokushima Ken and Yamaguchi Ken, and sounds of firing, it is now stated, was heard yesterday on Iki Island.

LOOKING FOR MISSING SHIP.

U. S. Cruiser Tacoma Has Sailed on Long Cruise.

San Francisco, June 15.—The cruiser Tacoma has sailed on a long cruise. Recent orders from Washington, directed Captain Nicholson to go in search of the missing steamer Conemaugh and in order to ascertain definitely the fate of the vessel, the Tacoma may go as far as the eastern coast of the United States.

The Conemaugh, laden with a full cargo of sugar, sailed from Honolulu last January and after touching at Coronel, Chile, 20 days later, was never heard from. It is believed that she foundered off Cape Horn during a gale.

Receives a Fortune.

New York, June 14.—At one time a lieutenant in the French army and now a guard on the Brooklyn Rapid Transit train, Desire Bretignere has been notified by members of his family in France that his father is dead, leaving an estate of which the guard is heir to the extent of \$300,000. Bretignere came to New York 10 years ago and obtained his first employment as a news agent.

TRIED THE RAZOR ROUTE.

Noted New York Character Attempts to Suicide.

New York, June 15.—Dennis Leary, a well-known figure on upper Broadway, where he has been familiarly known as "The Judge," attempted suicide yesterday morning in a room which he took but a week ago at 151 West Forty-third street. He cut his throat with a safety razor. He was removed to Roosevelt hospital, where it was said that his condition was critical.

Leary was much interested in politics and has served "Big Tim" Sullivan as a secretary at different times. The

house where he tried to kill himself is kept by Mrs. John Glissen, and contains the office of Dr. W. A. Schoales, who has been treating Leary for a nervous disorder. E. A. Clark, a friend of Leary, called upon the sick man and had stopped to speak to the physician when groans were heard coming from the room he had just left. Investigation showed that Leary had inflicted a deep gash in the right side of his neck.

He is considerably past middle age, and his friends say that he has become constantly more irrational as his malady progressed.

GAVE KNOCKOUT DROPS.

But Police Have So Far Failed to Find Assailant.

Brooklyn, June 15.—John H. Ross of 984 Halsey street was held in the Adams street court today on a charge of felonious assault. Ross was arrested last night by Detectives McCloskey and Cogan of Captain Formosa's staff on information that he had assaulted John Mullaly, a truck driver, of 1463 Gates avenue.

Mullaly was brought home in a coach on Tuesday night unconscious and bleeding from several wounds on the face by three men, who went away without offering explanation.

Dr. Hoag, who was called in by Mrs. Mullaly, expressed the opinion that his patient was suffering from knockout drops, and the police were notified.

When Ross was arrested last night he admitted having had an altercation with Mullaly in a saloon at Halsey street and Broadway. He denied that any knockout drops had been given to Mullaly.

Ross says he only acted in self defense when he assaulted Mullaly, who was intoxicated and assaulted him. Mullaly had not recovered consciousness today and his condition is regarded as critical.

SMASHED ON THE RUN.

Driver Was Lashed to His Seat When the Axle Broke.

New York, June 15.—While going to a fire last night engine No. 58 broke down. As the blaze to which the engine was going was in a thickly populated tenement district, the driver was urging his horses to their utmost speed, when the axle of the front left wheel snapped short off, and the horses were pulled up short, throwing them on their haunches.

For a few minutes the horses were almost unmanageable, but they were finally quieted. The driver, being strapped to the seat, was not thrown off, and escaped injury.

The fire was in the airshaft of a six-story tenement house, and Chief Short is inclined to think it was incendiary. The blaze was extinguished in a few minutes after the arrival of the engines.

WEDS MERE GIRL.

But Her Father Gave His Consent to the Nuptials.

Butte, Mont., June 15.—A marriage license was issued this morning allowing Minnie May Ford, 15 years of age, to marry Andrew Lumley, 32 years of age. Jake Ford, the girl's father, appeared at the court house with the prospective groom, and gave his consent to the issuance of the marriage license.

When the men first applied for the license there was some confusion as to which was the father and which the prospective groom, both appearing to be about the same age. The papers were signed, however, and with his face wreathed with smiles, Mr. Lumley went away to seek his youthful bride.

Mr. Lumley was married once before.

TWO KILLED IN WRECK.

Kansas City Southern Train Goes in Ditch.

Shreveport, La., June 15.—In the wreck on the Kansas City Southern, Tuesday morning, two men were killed and several slightly injured. The dead: Frank Patterson, engineer; Harry Gamble, fireman.

The wreck occurred at Rose Pine and was caused by overcharging the locomotive on a trestle. The engine and two cars fell into a ditch. The fireman was crushed to death and the engineer met death by being so badly scalded that he was scarcely recognizable. Both of the dead men resided in this city.

Railroads Are Busy.

New York, June 15.—Statements made at railroad offices here indicate that the task of cutting down operating expenses has been virtually completed and that the railroads have adjusted themselves to the new conditions brought about by falling off in general business. In the last two months the Erie company alone reduced its force by 4500 men, but has now called a halt.

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6.10 p.m.		10.30 p.m.
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Leave	ASTORIA	Arrive
11.35 a.m.	for Seaside Direct	5.20 p.m.
Leave	ASTORIA	Arrive
8.15 a.m.	for Warrenton, Hammond, Ft. Stevens, Seaside	*10.45 a.m.
5.50 p.m.		7.40 a.m.
Leave	SEASIDE	Arrive
4.30 p.m.	for Astoria direct	12.30 p.m.
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